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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On January 31, 2022, the Office of Jack Thorp, District Attorney for District 27, filed formal charges on Robert Edwin Lewis, from Cherokee County, Oklahoma, for three counts of Murder in the First Degree. These murders are alleged to have occurred in January, 2022. At this time, only a preliminary identification of the victims has been made and we believe the victims are Quinley Lamb, Brian Shackelford, and Deanna Tippey. We extend our deepest condolences to the families and offer the assistance of our victim services division.

The investigation in this tragic case remains active and we anticipate further information will be discovered as it continues. Lewis is presumed innocent of these charge, and that presumption will remain until and if the State of Oklahoma proves its case by proof beyond a reasonable doubt to a jury or judge in Cherokee County District Court. Our office will do everything we can do to insure that justice is served in this very horrific case.

Lewis was brought before Judge Josh King today for his initial appearance. His next court date is March 1, 2022. At this time the Court has set not bond, and he will be ordered to appear on March 1, 2022, for a hearing.

Our office commends the thorough investigation of Cherokee County Sheriff Jason Chennault and his investigators and deputies. The Tahlequah Police Department, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, the Cherokee Nation Marshals, and the District 27 District Attorney's Office Investigators have all aided Sheriff Chennault in this investigation.

There is still much to be done in this case and we anticipate that the investigation will continue for some time.

District 27 is comprised of Adair, Cherokee, Sequoyah, and Wagoner counties.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA SITTING IN AND FOR CHEROKEE COUNTY

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ROBERT EDWIN LEWIS

ADDR: 25182 E. 770 Rd.
Stilwell, OK 74960

DL: ****3718

SSN: ***-**-0907

DOB: January, 1961

Defendant(s).

Case No. CF-2022-

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LESA ROUSEY-DANIELS, Court Clerk
CHEROKEE COUNTY

By: _____ Deputy

INFORMATION

FOR:

- COUNT 1: MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE - DELIBERATE INTENT ~ 21 O.S. § 701.7(A), a FELONY
- COUNT 2: MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE - DELIBERATE INTENT ~ 21 O.S. § 701.7(A), a FELONY
- COUNT 3: MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE - DELIBERATE INTENT ~ 21 O.S. § 701.7(A), a FELONY

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, COUNTY OF CHEROKEE:

I, Jack Thorp, the undersigned District Attorney of said County, in the name and by the authority of the State of Oklahoma, give information that in said County of Cherokee and in the State of Oklahoma, ROBERT EDWIN LEWIS did then and there unlawfully, willfully, knowingly and wrongfully commit the crime(s) of:

COUNT 1: MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE - DELIBERATE INTENT ~ a FELONY, between the 16th and the 28th day of January, 2022, in Cherokee County, Oklahoma by unlawfully and with malice aforethought causing the death of another human being, to-wit: Deanna Tippey, by inflicting certain mortal wounds by the mechanism of strangulation from which said Deanna Tippey did in fact die as a result of the injuries inflicted on her by Robert Edwin Lewis.

COUNT 2: MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE - DELIBERATE INTENT ~ a FELONY, between the 16th and the 28th day of January, 2022, in Cherokee County, Oklahoma by unlawfully and with malice aforethought causing the death of another human being, to-wit: Quinley Lamb, by inflicting certain mortal wounds by the mechanism of blunt force trauma from which said Quinley Lamb did in fact die as a result of the injuries inflicted on her by Robert Edwin Lewis.

COUNT 3: MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE - DELIBERATE INTENT ~ a FELONY, between the 16th and the 28th day of January, 2022, in Cherokee County, Oklahoma by unlawfully and with malice aforethought causing the death of another human being, to-wit: Brian Shackelford, by inflicting certain mortal wounds by the mechanism of sharp force trauma from which said Brian Shackelford did in fact die as a result of the injuries inflicted on him by Robert Edwin Lewis.

JACK THORP
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

By: _____

Eric M Jordan

Assistant District Attorney

WITNESSES ENDORSED FOR THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

PRESENTING/ARRESTING OFFICER: James Morgan CCSO

Angela Berg Collins, c/o Oklahoma State Medical Examiner's Office
Pete Broderick, Cherokee County Sheriff's Office, CCSO, 213 W. Delaware, Tahlequah, OK 74464
Under Sheriff James Brown, Cherokee County Sheriff's Office, 213 West Delaware, Tahlequah, OK 74464
Eldon Graves Tahlequah Police Department
Jimmy Lamb, c/o Cherokee County Sheriff's Office
James Morgan CCSO, Cherokee County Sheriff's Office, 213 W. Delaware, Tahlequah, OK 74464
Christina Orosz, c/o Cherokee County Sheriff's Office
Ryan Robison, Cherokee County Sheriff's Office, Cherokee County Sheriff's Office, 213 W. Delaware, Tahlequah, OK 74464
Pathologist, Oklahoma State Medical Examiner's Office
Ryan Woolley, OSBI, 125 W. Pratt Tower, Tulsa, OK 74119
Travis Saulsberry, District 27 Drug and Violent Crime Task Force
Vicky Lyons, District 27 Drug and Violent Crime Task Force
Jason Chennault, Cherokee County Sheriff's Office
Criminalist, OSBI Laboratory



**OKLAHOMA
PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT**
STATE OF OKLAHOMA VS LEWIS, ROBERT EDWIN

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEROKEE COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

Plaintiff,
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

VS
Defendant,
LEWIS, ROBERT EDWIN

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Case No 2201-0964

PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT FOR ARREST WITHOUT WARRANT

Comes now the undersigned Affiant, and states upon Oath or Affirmation that the following information and facts are correct to the best of the Affiant's knowledge and belief. The undersigned believes that probable cause exists for the detention of the below named ARRESTEE for the below listed crimes committed on the below listed date, in Cherokee County, Oklahoma.

Subject Name LEWIS, ROBERT EDWIN

DOB	01/18/1981	SSN	563-37-0907	Sex	Male
Race	White	Hair	Gray or Partially Gray	Eye	BLU
Height	6 Ft. 1 In.	Weight		Ethnicity	Not Hispanic Origin
Address	25182 East 770 Road, Stilwell, Oklahoma 74960				

Arrest Date / Time 01/31/2022 09:54
Arrest Location / City Cherokee Casino Tahlequah Tahlequah
Offense Location / City 25182 East 770 Road Stilwell
Offense(s) Committed / Anticipated Charge(s)

21 O.S. § 701.7(A) - Homicide-Murder in first degree - Unlawfully and with malice aforethought causes the death of another human being.

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Facts & Circumstance that support probable cause to arrest the above named person are

VICTIMS: QUINLEY LAMB DOB: 04/18/1978

BRIAN SHACLEFORD DOB: 10/01/1970

DANNA TIPPEY DOB:02/18/1985

SUSPECT: ROBERT LEWIS DOB: 01/16/1961

On 01/28/2022, the Cherokee County Sheriff's Office received a call from a caller who identified himself as Jimmy Lamb. Jimmy advised that he was walking in the woods and found a body and believed the body was his sisters Quinley Lamb. Jimmy was unsure of his location because he is from Highland, Arkansas. After deputies arrived no one was at the location. Dispatch was able to get a hold of Jimmy Lamb who was at this time by Chewy Rd in Cherokee County. Dispatch asked Jimmy to turn back around and met with investigators at the Speedy's gas Station on Hwy 62. Upon arrival of Jimmy and a female identified to be Christina Orosz met with investigators they agreed to take us to a location the female described as her ex-husband Robert Lewis owned located at 25182 E.770 in Cherokee County. Christina said she contacted her ex-husband Robert by cell phone and asked him about Quinley Lamb, Brian Shackelford and William Ring, and Robert told her they was here but now they are gone and wont be seen again. Upon arrival Christina said that her and Jimmy walked up to the travel trailer area were they found two Arkansas ID cards one was William Ring, and the other was Quinley Lamb. Christina then took investigators to an area in the woods that looked to be a big hole covered with leafs, you could see a partial shirt sticking out of the leafs. After myself and Investigator Robinson looked closer you could see an unidentified body at this time we backed out and got a search warrant.

Later on the evening of 01/28/22, we made contact with Robert Lewis at the Cherokee Casino Located in Tahlequah, Ok. Robert had called Eldon Graves a Detective with the Tahlequah Police Department and told Eldon that he killed two people. Eldon is a family member to Robert Lewis. Upon arrival at the Casino myself and Investigator Broderick found Robert playing a gaming machine at the Northwest side of the Casino. After making contact with with Robert he was taken into custody with out any incident, and transported to the Cherokee County Sheriff's Office.

After arriving at the Sheriff's Office myself, investigator Broderick, and Undersheriff Brown started the interview process. Investigator Broderick read Robert his Miranda rights, and I asked Robert if he knew why he was here and to help the family get closure and asked Robert to draw a map with where the body was located. I gave Robert a piece of paper as he started to draw his road on his property, he stated she was buried on the right side of the road. I advised Robert we had already been to his property and found a body on the left side of the road not the right side of the road.

Robert then went on to explain that they were three people he killed. The one on the right side was a girlfriend her name was Deanna Tippey, and she was buried by herself, the one on the left side was two people from Arkansas Brian Shackelford, and Quinley Lamb. Robert advised they were buried together. I had three Arkansas IDs and show them to Robert and he said he didn't recognize two of them but that one of them was Quinley the female he buried with Brian. I then asked Robert if he knew of any kin for Deanna Tippey. Robert said she had a mother somewhere in Illinois, and gave me the phone number at this time Robert said he thinks he wanted to talk to an attorney.

On 01/29/22, OSBI, Medical Examiner Office, District 27 Task Force, and the Cherokee County Sheriff's Office served the Search Warrant on the property of Robert Lewis. After searching both burial holes in the first hole we uncovered a female believed to be Deanna Tippey. In the second hole we located two more bodies one female, and one male. All three bodies have been recovered and sent to the Medical Examiners Office and awaiting positive identification. At this time this case is still being investigated.

AFCF ? Time (1) Time (2) or Other

Upon oath, I declare that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Officer Name: MORGAN, JAMES Badge Number: 26

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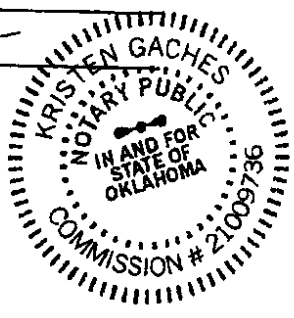
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Signature of Affiant

Subscribed and sworn before me on 1.31.2022

My commission number 21009736

My commission expires 7.23.2025

[Signature]
Notary Public



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[NO] Sheriff's Affidavit Required ?

[] Bond Posted ?

[] A probable cause determination is not necessary, the arrestee bonded out of jail on _____

[] Appear in Court ?

The undersigned Judge of this Court having conducted a probable cause determination for the above named person's arrest without warrant by sworn testimony and/or affidavit finds:

[] This affidavit/testimony contains sufficient facts showing probable cause for the person's arrest existed at the time of the arrest. Arraignment before a court is ordered on _____

[] This affidavit/testimony contains insufficient facts to show probable cause for the person's arrest existed at the time of arrest. The arrestee is ordered released from custody immediately.

I make the preceding findings and order pursuant to Gerstein v. Pugh, 420 U.S. 103 (1975), and County of Riverside v. McLaughlin, No. 89-1817 (U.S. May 13, 1991) (Lexis 2528):

FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE

The Undersigned Judge of this Court, upon sworn affidavit, hereby determines there to be probable cause for issuance of an arrest without warrant.

Date _____

JUDGE OF THE COURT



**OKLAHOMA
PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT**

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Date _____

OFFICER / SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE

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